

Remarks

This amendment amends the application to make a proper claim of priority of International Application Under the Patent Cooperation Treaty International Application No. PCT/US00/19387 under 35 USC § 365(c) instead of the former, improper claim of priority under 35 § 365(b). A copy of a petition to the Commissioner filed today to accept an unavoidably delayed claim under 35 USC § 365(c) is attached.

If any questions regarding this Amendment arise, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the applicants' attorney at (650) 485-3015 so that these questions may be resolved.

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